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FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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INFO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BBAK, HO, PN

SUBJECT: UB SECRET PAYMENT TO HONDURAS

REF: STATE 79470

APRIL 9 EDITIONS OF GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED MORNING PAPERS (MATUTINO AND CRITICA) HAVE STORY WITHOUT DATELINE TOP OF PAGE 1 HEADLINED "BRIBE". IDENTICAL STORIES PRINT TEXT OF UNITED BRANDS (UB) PRESS RELEASE WITH SHORT SUMMARY INTRODUCTION, WITHOUT COMMENT. NO SPECIFIC REFERENCE MADE TO GENERAL LOPEZ. SEMI-INDEPENDENT ESTRELLA AND ENGLISH-LANGUAGE STAR AND HERALD DO NOT HAVE STORY TODAY. NO EDITORIAL COMMENT HAS YET APPEARED, NOR HAS EMBASSY BEEN QUERIED THUS FAR.

COMMENT: REVELATION IS LIKELY TO HAVE UNFORTUNATE EFFECT OF REOPENING PUBLIC DEBATE ON GOP-UB RELATIONS, WHICH HAVE IMPROVED CONSIDERABLY OVER PAST SEVERAL MONTHS, AND MAY ENCOURAGE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO TAKE HARDER LINE IN DEALINGS WITH COMPANY TO FORESTALL CHARGES OF HAVING BEEN BOUGHT OFF.

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